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Baker Community Hosts Trails Partnership Workshop on March 11th

The Rivers, Trails & Conservation Assistance Program (RTCA) of the National Park Service has been working with the Baker Business and Tourism Council in developing a trails partnership. The goal of the partnership is to enhance the local quality of life and customs while serving the recreation needs of visitors and recreational enthusiasts. The trails partnership is developing a plan for interconnecting multi-use recreation trails throughout Snake Valley, including unique places of interest in Nevada and Utah.

The partnership began in March, 2004, and wants to involve all interested community members in the partnership process.

The next trails partnership workshop will be held on **Friday March 11th**. Participants should plan to meet at **9:00 a.m.** (**Pacific Standard Time**) at the **Baker Senior Center**. The workshop will consist of a planning meeting from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. After the planning meeting, a *no host* lunch will be offered. After lunch, participants will go a field trip to look at potential trails near the town of Baker, and fisheries in Snake Creek Canyon. Participants should bring sunscreen, water, and sturdy footwear. The field trip will end around 3 p.m.

RTCA will continue to assist community members in planning and developing action items for the partnership. The workshop is open to the public, and it is hoped that many creative minds will participate.

For further information about the Snake Valley Trails Partnership, contact Gary Perea of the Baker Business and Tourism Council at (775) 234-7300 or Jim Schlinkmann at (775) 234-7331, extension 216. For further information about the technical assistance program provided by RTCA, contact Liz Smith-Incer of the Nevada Field Office at (702) 515-5223.